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ALWAYS FOR LIBERTY AND THE PUBLICK GOOD.

High HEAVEN *to* GRACIOUS ENDS *directs the* STORM!

In the HOUSE *of* DELEGATES, *Thurſday, November* 28, 1776.

MR. Jefferſon, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, reported, that the committee had, according to order, had under their conſideration the petition of ARTHUR UPSHUR, to them referred, and had agreed to the following report and reſolution thereupon; which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered in at the clerk's table, where the ſame were again twice read, and agreed to.

Your committee find, that the ſaid ARTHUR UPSHUR having ſeveral veſſels on the ſtocks, cleared one of them out for the Britiſh Weſt Indies on the 20th day of July 1775, but that the ſaid veſſel was not launched until the 26th day of Auguſt; that on the 2d day of September, when the ſtorm happened, the ſaid veſſel had no part of her loading on board; that the ſaid veſſel ſailed after the 10th day of September to one of the foreign Weſt India iſlands, with a load of Indian corn; that on the 2d day of October following the committee of the county of Accomack proceeded to inquire into the matter, and on ſuch inquiry declared the ſaid UPSHUR had violated the continental aſſociation by ſending out the ſaid veſſel, and ordered his caſe to be publiſhed in the Virginia Gazette; that after the return of the ſaid veſſel, the ſaid UPSHUR (as appears by the minutes of the ſaid committee) denying that he had intentionally violated the ſaid aſſociation, voluntarily ſubmitted the matter again to the determination of the committee, who, at a ſeſſion held on the 8th day of January 1776, upon farther inquiry, were of opinion that he had violated the ſaid aſſociation ignorantly, but that, having behaved obſtinately, and ill afterwards, he ought to be fined, and they accordingly fined him 100l. which ſum the ſaid UPSHUR depoſited with a member of the committee. Your committee farther find, that the ſaid petitioner hath, both before and ſince the ſaid tranſaction, conducted himſelf as a friend to the American cauſe.

Reſolved, that though the committee of Accomack were actuated by the beſt of motives, yet they erred in proceeding to impoſe the fine upon the petitioner, and that therefore the ſaid fine ought to be reſtored to the ſaid petitioner by the perſon with whom it was depoſited.

Reſolved, that the ſaid petitioner having violated the aſſociation through ignorance, and having in other reſpects conducted himſelf as a friend to the American cauſe, ought to be reſtored to the rights of dealing and intercourſe with his country.

EDMUND PENDLETON, ſpeaker.

By order of the Houſe.

JOHN TAZEWELL, clerk.

To the PUBLICK.

IN the eye of contemplation, it appears extraordinary that a people engaged in war for their very exiſtence as free men ſhould yet find leiſure for the moſt permanent regulations of peace and tranquillity. On every revolution, religion is ſure to put in her claim, ſometimes urging it with decency and moderation; at others, menacing, and perpetrating violence. By religion is meant every fantaſtick mode of worſhip that has been diſplayed for ſeventeen ſenturies, through various parts of the world. The ſimple adoration of GOD, and the performance of moral duties (though undoubtedly the only true religion) has not yet obtained that character; nor will it, but in ſome very enlightened age.

Credulity is the parent of phyſick and religion. The bulk of mankind, too ignorant to inveſtigate the mechaniſm of their own bodies, and the divine principle which animates it, throw themſelves blindly on their doctor and their prieſt; whence, they oftentimes die under the one, and always live fooliſhly under the other. Philoſophers, on the contrary, whoſe ſagacity enables them regularly to trace effects back to their cauſes, purſue nature through all her general laws; from the motion of a finger, up to the ſenſorium, and vivifying power of all animal life. Here their inquries are ſuſpended, conſcious that mortals have not faculties to comprehend immortality. Truth is aſſent to a uniform concurrence of experiments, or analogous reaſoning from them. By this ſtandard, every ſyſtem of religion, that has been hitherto inſtituted, is equally falſe and fooliſh; from the Roman Catholick with his hoſt, down to the African with his fettiſh. Individually, therefore, the ſectaries are right; that each ſhould be fooliſh in his own way, without contributing to the folly of others. Collectively, they are wrong; for recent experience has taught, that ſome particular ſects hold principles not only incompatible with the proſperity, but even the very exiſtence, of eſtabliſhed governments. Does the ſtate ſummon all its members to arms, for mutual defence? Their faith forbids their bearing arms, on any occaſion whatſoever. Does its ſafety demand a rigid authority over a proportion of its inhabitants? Their religion teaches, that the ſouls of all men are equal in the ſight of God; and, for religious purpoſes, they level ſo indiſcriminately, with thoſe they ſhould command, that all ſubordination muſt be deſtroyed by it.

Religious evils have no remedy, but counteracting each other; and hence the expedience of an eſtabliſhed church, which, while it receives protection from government, always pays a due obedience to its authority, and does remotely, though feebly, lay ſome reſtraint on ſyſtems more noxious than its own.

The ſectaries, then, are miſtaken when they ſuppoſe they are taxed for the ſupport of a foreign church; they only contribute to the ſupport of government, for no government can be well regulated which turns every religious order, uncontrouled, looſe on ſociety.

Toleration carries ſatire in every letter of it. Literally, it means the ſuffering an abuſe. Who ever heard of tolerating wiſdom and virtue? Free ſtates, for the increaſe of trade and population, have always been liberal of it. On the contrary, monarchies have been prone to perſecution. Republicks have ſought, by every means, to aggrandiſe themſelves; while monarchies have been attentive to preſerve what they poſſeſs. Under Trajan, the Chriſtians were perſecuted; but, by the trading Dutch, they have been tolerated through all their various ſects. Waving every other proof againſt them, can a people be ſuppoſed right in their religious ſentiments who ſuffered perſecution under the wiſeſt and beſt prince that ever ruled an empire, and whoſe orders were executed by the moſt accompliſhed miniſter that ever lived?

Mr. PURDIE,

As the following extract from MULLER's *treatiſe of* ARTILLERY *may be ſerviceable to the young ſtudent in that ſcience, I beg the favour of you to publiſh it in your Gazette.*

AS the intention of the exerciſe, in time of peace, is to render the young artilleriſt ſkilful in all the different branches of his buſineſs, I think if faſcine batteries were raiſed now and then, and platforms laid, in order that they might know how to do it in time of war, and at the ſame time accuſtom the men to fire through embraſures, it would conduce very much to their perfection; for the manner the exerciſe is carried on at preſent, upon a ſtone platform, without any declivity, and without breaſtwork, can give no true idea of the firing in a ſiege. The moſt it can do is to repreſent a faint notion of firing in a battle, where no battery nor platform is made, excepting in ſome caſes where a poſt is to be defended. I know an excuſe is made, that it is the duty of the engineers, and not that of the artillery officers, to make the batteries; and they have hitherto made them accordingly, as far as I know. Yet as this cuſtom is grounded upon very erroneous principles, as we ſhall prove, it ought to be aboliſhed; for how ſeldom does it happen that an engineer in this country has an opportunity to make a battery, and when he has, how ſhall he know whether the embraſures are rightly made, or what declivity the platform ſhould have, excepting he is well acquainted with artillery? It may be ſaid, he ought to be acquainted with what has been done by former engineers; but as the length and weight of pieces is changed almoſt every day, and of courſe the making the embraſures and platforms muſt change likewiſe, it is impoſſible he ſhould know how to make a battery in a proper manner unleſs he was ordered to make experiments every time pieces are changed, which is never done: Whereas, on the contrary, the officers of artillery are on the ſpot, and by firing theſe guns have all the opportunity they can wiſh to determine theſe things.

And to ſhow the neceſſity of it, we ſhall give an inſtance which makes it evident: Formerly, when a 24 pounder weighed from 51 to 52 hundreds, and its length was 10 feet, the platforms were then made 18 feet long, and 9 inches higher behind than before, and now we make 24 pounders that weigh but 17 hundreds, and whoſe lengths are 5 feet 5 tenths; and as it may happen that theſe pieces are uſed upon a battery, how ſhould an engineer be able to raiſe one properly? And if he makes it as cuſtomary, the guns will run off their platforms every time, by which the ſervice will be retarded. And who is to be blamed? Not the engineer, as I conceive, ſince he had no opportunity to try theſe pieces before-hand. Again, the diameter of the wheels for heavy gun carriages is 58 inches, and that of the light pieces 50 only; ſo that the height of the embraſures muſt be made leſs for the latter than for the former. The diſtance of the battery from the object depends on the range of the pieces; and as the light ones carry not ſo far as the heavy, by reaſon that their charges are leſs, a battery of the light pieces muſt be nearer the object than that for the heavy ones. And ſince no one can be a better judge of theſe things than the artillery officers, who daily practiſe them, they are therefore the propereſt people to direct the making of batteries themſelves.

PHILADELPHIA, *November* 30.

YESTERDAY afternoon, at the review of the militia for the city and liberties, nothing could exceed the zeal and ardour of the men, who *unanimouſly* turned out volunteers, to ſerve their country at this important juncture. So laudable an example, it is hoped, will be followed in other parts.

In COUNCIL *of* SAFETY, *Philadelphia, Nov.* 30, 1776.

RESOLVED, that, in the preſent alarming ſituation of our affairs, it is highly expedient that no veſſels ſhould be ſuffered to depart this port until farther orders from this Board.

Extract from the minutes.

S. POWELL, ſecretary.

WILLIAMSBURG, *December* 13.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Philadelphia, *dated Dec.* 2, 1776.

WE are here in a ſituation not very pleaſant. The enemy's army are rapidly croſſing the Jerſeys, and are now at Brunſwick, about 30 miles beyond the Delaware, and 60 from this city. General Waſhington has not above 5000 men between us and them; and is retreating as faſt as he can. We are not certain of general Lee's motions, but we underſtand he is on this ſide the North river; his force not known. The aſſociators here are turning out to reinforce the general, but their motions are not ſo quick as could be wiſhed. However, we hope they will be in time enough to prevent theſe foes to freedom from being gratified with the poſſeſſion of this city. But if they ſhould, it may hurt; but ten ſuch cities would not ruin America, if her ſons deſerve the bleſſing they contend for. I earneſtly wiſh my countrymen would quit every other conſideration but that of induſtriouſly arming themſelves, and ſtrain every nerve for the ſecurity of their country. All other queſtions, now, are vain and ruinous illuſions.---The very lateſt intelligence from the French Weſt Indies ſay, that a war between France, Spain, and Great Britain, is inevitable, and muſt ſpeedily take place. The latter has employed 12 Ruſſian men of war to cruiſe off the French ports, to intercept the American trade; and France, with 30 ſail of the line, are determined to prevent it.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Alexandria, *dated Dec.* 8, 1776.

"We have advice from Philadelphia, by letters dated the 3 inſtant, that general Waſhington was retreated to Trenton, that the enemy had marched to Brunſwick, were to continue their route to that place, and from thence to Philadelphia, unleſs our army ſhould be able to drive them back. It is ſaid general Lee has paſſed the North river with 10,000 men, and expected to come up with the enemy's rear. If ſo, I hope we ſhall ſoon have a good account of the Britiſh plunderers. The inhabitants of Philadelphia have removed their moſt valuable effects into the country, and part of their militia are gone to join general Waſhington. General Gates is alſo on his march to join general Lee; ſo that we ſhall have, it is thought, an army equal to Howe's.

P. S. By a gentleman from George town yeſterday, we learn that he ſaw a gentleman juſt from Annapolis, who told him that an expreſs had come to the Council of Safety in that city, with advice that general Waſhington had attacked Howe with what forces he had in the Jerſeys, drove the enemy back to the river, killed and taken priſoners a great part of their army, with all their proviſions and ſtores, and what artillery they had with them.--Since writing the above, I have received a letter from col. Grayſon, dated at head quarters, near Brunſwick, the 30th of November, who ſays that Howe's army is got to Newark and Elizabeth town, and that it is generally thought they intend to attempt Philadelphia.---Col. Miles of Pennſylvania, who was taken at Long iſland, was juſt come over from New York. He ſays, that on the quarter at Fort Waſhington where the 200 Virginia and Maryland riflemen were ſtationed the Heſſians ſuffered greatly. By the returns of two of their regiments, that he ſaw, one had 320 and the other 100 killed; but he could not learn their general loſs in killed or wounded.---By letters from Philadelphia, dated the 3d inſtant, I am informed that a party of Howe's army had croſſed Brunſwick river, and that all the aſſociators and militia of Philadelphia were marching out; that all the ſailors had joined them, and that they were determined to defend the city to the laſt extremity. An embargo was laid on all ſhipping in that port."

The reſolve of Congreſs, declaring theſe ſtates free and independent, was publiſhed in London the 17th of Auguſt.

Deaths.] At his father's ſeat, on Saturday the 19th ult. in the 22d year of his age, mr. WILLIAM BROADDUS, eldeſt ſon to capt. John Broaddus of Caroline; a youth of the moſt exemplary virtue and piety, and of ſuch extraordinary talents and accompliſhments as ſcarcely any youth can boaſt. In his every word, his every act, honeſty and integrity were truly conſpicuous, and ſhone forth with their brighteſt luſtre. During his illneſs, he behaved with the moſt manly fortitude, becoming compoſure, and perfect reſignation. Ever ſtudious of knowledge, he was juſt preparing to enter into ſcenes of a more exalted nature, when, alas! (unfortunately for him) fate dropped the curtain of futurity.

Miſs PEGGY HUBARD, of Glouceſter county, in the bloom of youth.

Bright as the gems the wealthy Orients boaſt,
Sweet as the odours of their ſpicy coaſt,
A pearly dew-drop ſee ſome flower adorn,
And grace with all its pride the riſing morn;
But ſoon the ſun emits a fiercer ray,
And the fair fabrick ruſhes to decay,
Now in the duſt the beauteous ruin lies,
While the fierce vapour ſeeks its native ſkies.
A fate like this to the ſweet maid was given,
Who ſparkled, bloom'd, and was exhal'd to heaven.

Mr. LODOWICK JONES, of Middleſex county, in his 27th year, after a ſevere illneſs, which he bore with a manly fortitude. He was a warm friend, a tender huſband, and an indulgent maſter.

Mrs. BARBARA ROWZAY, in childbed, who bore her ſufferings with the moſt Chriſtian fortitude. She was a dutiful daughter, a moſt excellent wife, and bequeathed to her numerous friends a pattern of every female virtue.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

TWENTY likely *Virginia* born NEGROES, from 9 to 13 years of age, will be ſold at *Frederickſburg*, for ready money, on the 10th day of *January* next. Mr. *James Lewis* will have the management of the ſale.

ALEX: SPOTSWOOD.

WILLIAMSBURG, *Dec.* 11, 1776.

AN inſtrument of writing is prepared, and now in the poſſeſſion of mr. *John Carter*, merchant, to which the creditors of mr. *Walter Battwell* are requeſted immediately to accede. The purport of it may be known by application to mr. *Carter*, and it is hoped that all perſons concerned will come in on or before *Thurſday* the 19th inſtant, as they may otherwiſe loſe an advantage.

WILLIAMSBURG, *Dec.* 6, 1776.

THE officers and troopers belonging to the HORSE are to repair to this place by the 11th of the month, without fail, to join the regiment, which is ordered to march to reinforce his Excellency General WASHINGTON, or, after that day, to rendezvous at *Frederickſburg*, where the regiment will march from this place. Such ſoldiers as are, through ſickneſs, unable to march, muſt certify the ſame to the commanding officer, under the hand of a magiſtrate of the county where he reſides, or he muſt expect to be treated as a deſerter.

THEODORICK BLAND,
major commandant.

WILLIAMSBURG, *Dec* 9, 1776.

JOURNEYMEN *GUNSMITHS* and *BLACKSMITHS* will meet with encouragement from the ſubſcriber ——

JAMES ANDERSON.

*** Wanted, ſome healthy *BOYS* as apprentices.

BERKELEY county, *Nov.* 12, 1776.

ALL perſons indebted to the late partnerſhip of *Culp & Chapline*, for dealings at their ſtore at *Worthington's* mill, whether by bond, book debt, or otherwiſe, are hereby forewarned paying the ſame, or any part thereof, to the ſaid *Chapline*, or his order, as all debts due the ſaid company for dealings at that ſtore are my ſole property.

1‖ DANIEL CULP.

BLOOMSBURY, *Dec* 9, 1776.

ALL perſons who have any demands on me are deſired to ſend in their accounts properly adjuſted, and thoſe indebted to me are requeſted to make payment.

1‖ JOHN RANDOLPH.

To be SOLD on *Friday* the 20th inſtant (*December*) if fair, otherwiſe next fair day,

ALL *the perſonal eſtate of* Henry Duke, *deceaſed, conſiſting of cattle, horſes, hogs, and ſheep, houſehold and kitchen furniture, alſo the crop of corn and fodder, tobacco, peaſe, and hay. The purchaſers will have* 12 *months credit for all ſums above* 25 *s. upon giving bond and ſecurity to*

(1) *WILLIAM MOODY, jun.*

*** *All perſons who have any demands againſt the ſaid eſtate are deſired to bring in their accounts, properly atteſted, on the day of ſale; and thoſe who are indebted thereto are requeſted to make immediate payment.*

HAMPTON, *Dec.* 10, 1776.

SUPERFINE and fine BURR FLOUR, made of ſound mountain wheat, that was clear of worm and weavil, to be ſold here by ANDREW GIFFORD.

*** I will purchaſe SALT.

GOOD encouragement will be given to two journeymen TAILORS, who underſtand their buſineſs, by applying to me at *John Carter's*, ſouth ſide of the *Capitol*. 2‖ JOHN LOGAN.

ON the 10th day of *January* next, at the plantation whereon *Alexander Shaw* lately reſided, near *Monk's Neck* creek, will be expoſed to ſale the ſtocks of *HORSES*, *HOGS*, and *CATTLE*, belonging to that place. Six months credit will be allowed for all ſums amounting to or above 5l. the purchaſers giving bond and proper ſecurity to

J. BANISTER, A. SMITH, } truſtees.

For SALE,

A VERY valuable tract of land in *Louiſa* county, containing 827 acres, about 7 miles from the courthouſe, lying on both ſides the *Southannah* river, near one third of which is exceeding good low ground, and great part of the high land rich and level. There is on the ſaid tract a plantation in good order for cropping, ſufficient to work 10 or 12 hands, and about 50 buſhels of wheat ſowed, a dwelling-houſe with two rooms above and below, and other out-houſes, alſo exceeding fine apple orchards of the beſt kind of fruit, which ſeldom fail bearing. A reaſonable credit will be given the purchaſer. For terms apply to mr. *Thomas Johnſon* near the premiſes, who will ſhow the land; or to the ſubſcriber, at *Albemarle* courthouſe.

‖ RICHARD ANDERSON.

WHEREAS *Jehu Crumpton* of *Amelia* county, one of the legatees of the eſtate of *John Smith* deceaſed, of *Glouceſter*, has, as I am informed, offered a negro man for ſale belonging to the ſaid eſtate, who is now in his poſſeſſion, we hereby forewarn any perſon from purchaſing the ſaid negro, as the eſtate of the ſaid *Smith* is not yet ſettled.

(2) JAMES SMITH, SAMUEL DAWSON. } executors.

Mr. PURDIE,

THE officers and ſoldiers of the third diviſion of the *Henrico* militia beg leave, through the channel of your paper, to return their thanks to mr. *Philip Frazier* and mr. *Robert Warren* of *New Kent* county, alſo to mr. *Cartwright* of *James City* county, for their very kind treatment of them when on their march to *Williamſburg*.

WILLIAMSBURG, *Dec.* 3, 1776.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber, the 8th of this inſtant (*December*) a likely young negro fellow named STEPHEN, very black, has thick lips, a large ſcar on his upper lip, and ſpeaks very quick; had on when he went away a brown cloth jacket, long trouſers, thick worſted ſtockings, and good ſhoes with ſquare braſs buckles. Whoever ſecures the ſaid runaway, ſo as he may be had again, ſhall have 40s. reward.

1‖ JOHN CALVERT.

*** A SURGEON'S MATE is wanted for the *Norfolk's Revenge*, lying at *Hampton*. Inquire of mr. *Joſeph Pell*, the ſurgeon on board.

COMMITTED to *Elizabeth City* jail, a mulatto fellow who ſays he belongs to *William Boles* of *New York*, and that his name is *JACK*; he is 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, has a ſcar on his noſe, and had on common negro clothing. The owner is deſired to take him away, and pay charges to

‖ JOHN M'LACHLIN, jailer.

DESERTED from capt. *Croghan's* company in the 8th battalion, *HIGH GREEN*, about 5 feet 7 inches high, well built, has a full face, fair hair, thin and ſhort; had on when he went away an old bluecoat, black ſilk waiſtcoat, and country linen ſhirts; and from capt. *Weſtfall's* company, in the ſaid battalion, *THOMAS M'DANIEL*, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, who had on a pale blue coat, a macaroni hat with gold button and loop, and plenty of other cloths. They are both tailors, and enliſted for the continuance of the war. They alſo enliſted in capt. *Richard K. Meade's* company, and took the bounty about two hours before they deſerted. It is ſuppoſed they have entered on board ſome of the row-gallies. Whoever apprehends the ſaid deſerters, and delivers them at head quarters in *Williamſburg*, ſhall have 5l. reward for each.

‖ JAMES HIGGIN.

COMMITTED to *Charles City* jail, a negro man 5 feet 3 inches high, who calls himſelf NED, and ſays he belongs to *William Stitt*, or *Stith*, living on *Vocomaw*, in *South Carolina*, near *Santee*; alſo a negro fellow 5 feet 4 inches high, about 22 years old, who ſays his name is JACOB, and that he belongs to *Joſeph Kent*, living on *Santee* river, *South Carolina*. The owners are deſired to apply for them as ſoon as poſſible, and pay charges to

‖ JOHN HARWOOD, jailer.

STRAYED or STOLEN from the ſubſcriber, the 23d of *November* laſt, a black mare about 13 hands and an inch high, very big with foal, had a very bad ſore a little behind her withers, now ſuppoſed to be almoſt healed, and a ſmall ſtar in her forehead, ſcarce perceivable; ſhe has no brand that I know of. Whoever delivers the ſaid mare to me, in *Williamſburg*, ſhall have 20s. reward.

PETER MYER.

THREE DOLLARS REWARD.

STRAYED or STOLEN out of the publick park at *Williamsburg*, about the 27th of *November*, a blue roan horſe 5 years old, about 14 hands high, a natural pacer, with a ſmall ſtar in his forehead, ſome white on each foot, ſhod before, and branded on the off buttock H C. Whoever delivers the ſaid horſe to me, in *Williamsburg*, ſhall have the above reward.

2‖ JOSEPH CROCKETT, capt. in the 7th regiment.

STOLEN from the ſubſcriber at *Newcaſtle*, in *Hanover* county, the 9th of laſt month, a bay roan mare 5 feet high or thereabouts, 5 years old laſt ſpring, is lame in the right hind leg, which is very perceivable when ſhe trots, has more white hairs upon her rump than any where elſe, was ſhod round, but it is probable the thief will take off her ſhoes, to prevent detection. Whoever gives me intelligence of the ſaid mare, ſo that I get her again, ſhall have 20s. reward, or 5l. on conviction of the thief, if a white man.

2‖ RICHARD JOHNSON.

STRAYED or STOLEN from mrs. *Camp's*, near *Williamſburg*, on the 10th of this inſtant (*December*) a likely ſorrel horſe 3 years old next ſpring, about 4 feet 9 inchches high, has a long undockt tail and thin hanging mane, a white ſpot, the bigneſs of a bit, on his left jaw, trots and gallops, and branded (though not very plain) on the near buttock, B T. Whoever delivers the ſaid horſe to mrs. *Camp*, or gives the ſubſcriber (living at *Todd's* bridge, *King* & *Queen* county, ſuch intelligence as he may get him again, ſhall have 20s. reward, beſides what the law allows.

BERNARD TODD.

STRAYED or STOLEN from Peterſburg, the 30th of September *laſt*, an iron gray horſe 5 or 6 years old, 4 feet 8 or 9 inches high, with a hanging mane and ſwitch tail, one hind hoof ſtriped (if I miſtake not) ſome ſaddle ſpots, alſo bayiſh ſpots on the near ſide of his neck, no brand that I remember, trots and gallops, and is unſhod. Whoever brings the ſaid horſe to Peterſburg, or to Vauxhall in James City county, ſhall have 20s. reward, beſides reaſonable charges, from

‖ FRANCIS HILL.

STOLEN from *Cheſterfield* county, about two miles from *Petersburg*, or rode off by ſome negro, the 12th of *November* laſt a bright bay horſe 5 years old laſt ſpring, 4 feet 9 or 10 inches high, has a ſmall gray ſpot on his withers, is a natural pacer, was freſh ſhod before, and branded on the near buttock P. Whoever gives me intelligence of the ſaid horſe, ſo that I get him again, ſhall have 20s. reward; or 40s. if brought to my houſe on *Ward's* fork, in *Charlotte* county, near the courthouſe.

2‖ PERRIN ALLDAY.

CAROLINE, *Nov.* 13, 1776.

SIXTY valuable SLAVES, conſiſting of men, women, and children, will be ſold at *Fauquier* courthouſe on the 4th *Monday* in *January* next (being court day) if fair, otherwiſe next fair day. The time of payment to be agreed on the day of ſale, but a large diſcount will be allowed for ready money; and purchaſers on credit muſt give bond with approved ſecurity, to carry intereſt from the date if not punctually paid.

GAWIN CORBIN, jun.

To be SOLD at auction, purſuant to the will of col. Francis Taylor, *deceaſed, on the premiſes, on* Monday *the 30th of this inſtant* (December)

A TRACT of 208 acres of LAND lying near col. *James Taylor's* in *Caroline* county, upon twelve months credit, to carry intereſt from the date if not punctually paid. On the *Wedneſday* following will be ſold at mr. *Richard Segar's*, in the ſaid county, ſix valuable SLAVES belonging to the ſaid eſtate, upon the like credit and terms, by

(2) The EXECUTORS.

ON *Wedneſday* the 18th inſtant (*December*) will be ſold at the late dwelling-houſe of mr. *William Brown*, deceaſed, in *James City* county, all his houſehold and kitchen furniture, the crops of corn, wheat, and fodder, with the ſtocks of horſes, cattle, and hogs, ſome ſalt, rum, brandy, and ſundry other things too tedious to mention. Credit for all ſums above 25s. until the 10th of *October* next, on giving bond with approved ſecurity, bearing intereſt from the date if not punctually paid.---All perſons who have demands againſt the eſtate are deſired to make them known immediately, and thoſe indebted thereto will meet with no indulgence after the court proceeds to buſineſs.

2‖ JOHN BROWN, JOHN PIERCE, } executors.

UPWARDS *of* 200 *barrels of CORN will be ſold in lots, on* Wedneſday *the* 18*th inſtant, before the* Raleigh *tavern in* Williamſburg, *to the higheſt bidders, for ready money. The corn to be delivered at the* Neck of Land, *before* Chriſtmas. 2‖

TAKEN up in *James City*, on *Chickahominy* river, a dark bay horſe near 14 hands high, about 12 years old, with a ſmall ſtar in his forehead, hanging mane and ſwitch tail, a few white hairs about the middle of his neck, on the right ſide, his off hind foot white, his mane hangs on the left ſide, paces ſlow, and gallops. Poſted, and appraiſed to 15l.

‖ *William Barrett.*

To be SOLD,

MY plantation at *Mattox*, consisting of about 1200 acres of land, with a suitable proportion of marsh, which renders it excellent for stock. The improvements are, a large commodious dwelling-house, with all necessary out-houses, quite new, a falling yard and garden. A farther description is unnecessary, as it is presumable that any person inclinable to purchase would choose to view the place, which I doubt not will abundantly recommend itself by the beauty of its situation and variety of its advantages. For terms apply to WILLIAM BANKHEAD.

WESTMORALAND, *Nov.* 12, 1776.

To be LET for one year or more, and may be entered on at *Christmas*,

A *PLANTATION in* Culpeper *county, near* Muddy Run *mountain, with* 7 *NEGROES. For terms apply to capt.* Edward Watkins *in said county, or to the subscriber in* King William; *who has also* 3 *CHARIOTS for sale, one of which is a very good one.* *WILLIAM COWNE.*

COMMITTED to *King* & *Queen* jail, the 14th of *October* last, a negro woman named MILLY and her child JEMMY. She was formerly the property of mr. *Simon Laughlin*, and by him sold to mr. *Peter Perkins*. The owner may have them, on paying charges, by applying to

2‖ CHRIST: HARWOOD. jailer.

TWENTY FIVE DOLLARS REWARD.

LOST from col. *Edward's* in *Brunswick* county, last *June*, three mares which were sent to old *Fearnought* last spring, *viz.* A bay mare 13 years old, about 4 feet 6 inches high, blaze face, both hind feet white half way to her hams, one or both of her fore feet white, some white hairs in her tail, trots and gallops, was a little lame in her near fore foot, and as near as I remember branded on her near shoulder 3. A bright bay mare about 4 feet 6 inches high, with a hanging mane and long tail, one hind foot white, no brand as I remember, paces slow, trots and gallops well, and appears blooded; she will likely, if at liberty, make for the upper end of *Amelia*. The other a likely bay mare about 6 years old, 4 feet 7 inches high, with hanging mane and long switch tail, a star in her forehead, two or three small white spots on the near side of the pole of her head, is full half-blooded, and allowed to run fast for her size; she has no brand that I remember, and if at liberty will likely go to *Prince Edward*. The above reward will be paid for the said mares on delivery, or 50s. for each, by

2‖ WILLIAM BIBB.

PRINCE EDWARD, *Nov.* 16, 1776.

STRAYED *or* STOLEN *from the subscriber in* Falmouth, *about the first of* August *last, a bay horse about* 13 *hands and a half high, about* 12 *years old, has a wen on his off side about the size of a goose egg, trots, gallops, and paces, and has a blotched brand on his near buttock, H or X, I am not certain which. Whoever conveys the said horse to me shall have* 20*s. reward.*

2‖ *THOMAS BROWN.*

STRAYED or STOLEN out of my pasture in *Bedford* county, about the 23d of *September* last, a roan mare 3 years old last spring, branded on the near shoulder S, and on the near buttock E, paces chiefly, and had on a small bell. Any person who gives intelligence of the said mare, so as I get her again, shall be handsomely rewarded. ROBERT IRVIN.

TAKEN up in *Dinwiddie*, a sorrel mare 3 years old, about 4 feet 6 inches high, with a snip on her nose, flaxen mane, her hind feet white, the off one above the footlock, neither dockt nor branded. Posted, and appraised to 10l. ‖ *William Dabney.*

WANTED *on freight for* Europe *and the* West Indies, *suitable VESSELS; which, if required, will be ensured.*

JAMES & ADAM HUNTER.

TAKEN up in *Hanover*, a red brinded steer about 4 years old last spring, marked with two crops and an underkeel in the right ear; he came in the parts a bull yearling, and hath rambled about till I took him up. ‖ *John Street.*

TAKEN up in *Northampton*, a large black and white pied barrow, with a bob tail, the fore part and rump black, white sides, except a black spot on the left side of the back, marked with a crop and under bit in the right ear, and a swallow fork in the left; he is about two feet and a half high, and about two years and a half old. Posted, and appraised to 30s.

‖ *Griffin Stith*, sen.

TAKEN up at the plantation of *Richard Beale*, deceased, a middle sized brindle pied steer, with sawed horns, and branded on each of them G T; he is marked with a crop, two slits, and underkeel, in the right ear, and with an underkeel, overkeel, and a half crop, in the left. Posted, and appraised to 4l.

‖ *Henry Gaines.*

TAKEN up near *Turner's* warehouses, *King* & *Queen*, a bay horse about 7 years old, 4 feet 6 inches high, has a long mane and tail, is galled on the shoulders, and branded on the near buttock M S. Posted, and appraised to 12l.

‖ *Francis Gaines.*

TAKEN up in *Cox's* creek, in *Mecklenburg*, a dark brindled cow with a white face, some white on her left shoulder, some under her belly, and on her tail, marked with an underkeel in the right ear, and a crop in the left; also a bull yearling of a black colour, with a motley face, and sucks the cow. Posted and appraised, the cow to 50s. the yearling to 20s.

‖ *John Eaton.*

TAKEN up in *Orange*, a red cow with a middle sized bell on, and marked in each ear with a crop and slit. Posted, and appraised to 55s. ‖ *Samuel Brockman.*

TAKEN up in *Surry*, a large red steer, marked with a swallow fork in the right ear, and an underkeel in the left, and when feeding his right horn droops much more to the ground than the left. Posted, and appraised to 2l. 15s.

‖ *Thomas Bland.*

TAKEN up in *Brunswick*, a red cow, without any white about her, about 4 years old, not marked, and has a calf with her. Also a red steer about 4 years old, with a white face, a spot under his right eye, and marked with a crop in the right ear. Posted and appraised, the cow and calf to 40s. and the steer to 40s.

‖ *John Ingram.*

TAKEN up in *Brunswick*, a dark bay horse colt 2 years old last spring, 4 feet 7 inches and 3 quarters high, with a few white hairs in his forehead, has a wart at the root of his right ear, his right hind foot white, with some dark spots round the hoof, and the hind part of his right fore foot white. Posted, and appraised to 15l. ‖ *Colin Campbell.*

TAKEN up in *Loudoun*, near *Sugarland* run, three heifers, *viz.* One a brindle, another a pied with red sides, and white back and tail; both marked with a crop in each ear, and a slit in the left. The other a black, with some white about her leg and the upper part of her face, and marked with a crop and slit in the left ear only; she has a calf. Posted, and appraised to 5l.---There was another red heifer came with the above, which is since dead. ‖ *James Coleman.*

THE *gentlemen subscribers to the TAVERN in* Petersburg *kept by me are desired to meet on* Saturday *the* 21*st of* December *next, to settle the rent, as the present times will not admit of more that* 5 *per cent. instead of* 10; *also the OLD ACCOUNTS.*

(2) *W. BRADLEY.*

CUMBERLAND county, *Nov.* 22, 1776.

WHEREAS *Samuel Jones*, an apprentice of mine, did on the 20th of *May* last obtain leave of me to go down to *Warwick* county to see his mother, on promise to return again in three weeks, which promise he has not complied with, but has since that time absented himself from his duty, I will give 40s. reward to any one who will deliver him to me, and I forewarn all persons from entertaining him at their peril.

‖ MATTHEW LANGSTONE.

To be HIRED at Charles-City *courthouse, on the first* Wednesday *in* January *next, being court day,*

THE *NEGROES* belonging to the estate of *Francis Dancy*, son of *Edward Dancy*. The plantation called *Cloy Bank* will also be rented at that time, for a term of years.----All persons indebted to the said estate are desired to attend, with their balances, and the negroes now in their care. Bond with approved security will be required on the spot, by

‖ JAMES WALL, jun.

WILLIAMSBURG, *Nov.* 13, 1776.

I BEG leave to inform the publick, that ever since the 22d of *April* 1776 mr. *Richard Charlton* has not been concerned in the shop carried on by the subscriber in this city, notwithstanding the advertisement since the above date which did signify we were in partnership; but he, not coming up with any part of his agreement causes the partnership to be void. Therefore desire all who are indebted to the shop since the above date to pay only to me, or my order. JAMES NICHOLS.

N. B. I am in want of wig blocks, cards, and brushes, and an assortment of well prepared hairs fit for wig-making. Any person that can supply me with them shall have a good price.

WAS stolen out of my pasture near *Port Royal*, in the night of the 1st of *August* last, a bay horse purchased by me for the 3d troop of *Virginia* light horse, about 14 hands high, and was three years old last spring; he has a glass eye, a blaze face, all four of his feet and part of some of his legs white, but do not recollect which, had no brand, and his tail but very little docked. I will give 40s. reward to any person who will deliver the said horse to me at *York*, or to mr. *John Catlett* near *Port Royal*, and on conviction of the thief 5l. ‖ WILLIAM LINDSAY,

Cornet in the 3d troop.

TEN DOLLARS REWARD.

STRAYED or STOLEN, the 8*th of* August *last, from* Mulberry Island *ferry*, Warwick *county, a small bay horse* 4 *feet* 4 *or* 5 *inches high,* 7 *or* 8 *years old, with a star in his forehead, an ugly mane hanging on the near side, a bushy tail, one of his hind feet white as high as the footlock, the hoof only of the other (or part of it) white, paces slow, and gallops, but not branded that I remember; also a light bay mare, about the size of the horse, with a star in her forehead, hanging mane and bushy tail, trots and gallops, has a sore back, is hard to catch, and branded something like M. Whoever gives intelligence of said creatures to mr. Thomas Archer in York-town, or to the subscriber in the lower end of* Gloucester, *shall have FIVE DOLLARS reward for each.*

THOMAS POWELL, jun.

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